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CANDIDATES AT
HIGH SPRINGS

Addressed Large Audience Tuesday Night.

SHEATS-HOLLOWAY MEETING.

Broome, Barrs, Clark and Alexander Were Also Present and Made Addresses.

The Sheats-Holloway meeting was held, as previously advertised, in High Springs Tuesday night.

Besides Messrs. Sheats and Holloway, who are candidates for the office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction, there were present and addressed the meeting, Hon. James E. Broome, candidate for Secretary of State; and Hon. J. M. Barrs, Frank Clark and James E. Alexander, candidates for Congress from the Second District.

The meeting was held in Newberry Hall. The hall was crowded beyond its seating capacity, and of the large number present many were ladies, and to them the candidates paid high compliments.

Dr. B. C. Hodges presided over the meeting and introduced the speakers. It being understood that the meeting was a Sheats-Holloway meeting, the chairman announced that those gentlemen's speeches would not be limited, but each of the others would be limited to twenty minutes.

Shortly before the speaking began Mrs. Dr. Garner, a beautiful and accomplished pianist, was prevailed upon by some of her friends to furnish some music. Every one present was delighted with the music, and the good lady left the piano amid a storm of applause.

ALEXANDER SPEAKS.

The first speaker introduced by the chairman was Hon. James E. Alexander, candidate for Congress. Mr. Alexander began his speech by declaring with earnestness: "I am due the beautiful young lady who favored us with the music an apology. I noticed the other candidates applauded her, but I was so charmed with her beauty I forgot to applaud." (Jim hadn't then learned that the lady was married.) Then he said many nice things about the people of High Springs and Alachua county, and about the ladies in particular. He said J. M. Barrs ought not to go to Congress because he parted his hair in the middle; Charles Dougherty ought not to go because he had no hair at all, and Frank Clark ought to be kept at home because he had one of the noblest little cracker wives in the world, who was physically unable to stand the Washington climate. He spoke very highly of Hon. R. W. Davis, and intimated that when Davis is Governor and Alexander in Congress all will be well for Florida.

SHEATS SPEAKS.

Hon. W. N. Sheats, candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction, (the office he now holds) was next introduced, and spoke one hour and twenty minutes. When Mr. Sheats was introduced the audience was on the tip of expectation. It had been whispered—and very loudly, too—that Sheats and Holloway were going for each other with gloves off, and some were wishing they would, while others wished they would not.

Mr. Sheats spoke in his usual vigorous way, and his speech was by no means free from sarcasm. He recited a history of himself and his school work in Alachua county for many years, and claimed much of the credit for Alachua's advancement since Holloway came into office; said he was the cause of Holloway's getting the position he now holds, and the charges against him were for the purpose of further promoting Holloway and damaging him. Said he went to school four years after he knew more than many who are now teaching in Florida, but it only took Mr. Holloway three months to prepare to be superintendent, etc. He brought up the Booker Washington and negro Young incidents, also the lady who has been dragged into the matter, and declared with great emphasis that he was innocent of what he is being charged with, and that the whole proceeding is an attempt to down him in the estimation of the people. His references to Holloway were very uncomplimentary, and he charged that the financial condition of the schools in the county is real bad, and he blamed Holloway more than any one else for it. In referring to Holloway as once unintentionally received him as "my successor," Holloway said "That's right," and the audience applauded.

HOLLOWAY SPEAKS.

Hon. W. M. Holloway, candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction, was next introduced, and at once addressed himself to the task of defending himself against Mr. Sheats' attacks and of reiterating the charges previously preferred against Sheats. Replying to Sheats' insinuation that his education was not sufficient for him to be State Superintendent, Holloway said: "I have taken every certificate required in this State, and that is more than Mr. Sheats

can say. I know I am one of many teachers who would be delighted to see him try for a first-class certificate."

To show how and why the school board is in debt, Holloway called attention to the many nice and costly school buildings in the county, and when Sheats went out of the county superintendent's office the school property was worth \$38,000, and it is now worth \$112,000. More teachers and better salary now than then as so helped to increase the debt. He affirmed that he had in his possession letters and affidavits to prove all that he had said about Sheats. Said Booker Washington was invited here to address white school superintendents, and but for him (Holloway) he would have spoken in the High Springs school auditorium. "I prevented that," said the speaker, "and I am glad I did it, and have no apologies to offer for it." At the close of this sentence there was enthusiastic applause. "Mr. Sheats," said Mr. Holloway, "has told you that he is no coward. Well, I am not much of a coward myself. I used to be a little afraid of Mr. Sheats, but I've grown out of that; I'm not afraid of him any more."

BROOME SPEAKS.

Hon. James E. Broome, candidate for Secretary of State, was next introduced, and paid a glowing tribute to the ladies. He said he was pleased to see so many ladies present. "They look the eye of the bachelor, and ease the heart of the widower," he said, and while the audience was enthusiastically applauding, a dozen or more lovely maids and widows were asking those near them "Is he a bachelor or widower?" and some were declaring, "Oh, he is so handsome!" "Oh," said the handsome gentleman from Gadsden, "I'm not a widower, or I won't be one very long."

Like the other twenty minute speakers, Mr. Broome had no time to say much, but he told of his well known work in the Democratic party, especially during the "reconstruction" days, his services in the Florida State Senate for twelve consecutive years, etc. He reminded the people present that others with whom he labored during those trying times had long since been rewarded with State offices, and asked if he was not entitled to some reward. Senator Broome is a fine speaker, a fine looking gentleman and would make a good Secretary of State. He made many warm friends at High Springs.

CLARK SPEAKS.

Hon. Frank Clark, candidate for Congress, was next introduced. He went for Alexander about speaking of Barrs' parting his hair in the middle, and Dougherty's having no hair at all. He said that Dougherty had said it is brains, and not hair, that the people are going to send to Congress.

"I have been married 19 years," said Mr. Clark, "and Jim Alexander is as old as I am, and if he has not in all these years been able to find some good woman who would marry him, I say, in the language of Sam Jones, he 'aint fitten' to go to Congress no how." Mr. Clark then got down to business, and for about ten minutes he spoke ably and interestingly on the issues of the campaign.

BARRS SPEAKS.

The next and last speaker was Hon. J. M. Barrs, candidate for Congress. The hour being late, Mr. Barrs seemed to realize that the people had had enough fun for one night, and he at once proceeded to business. He did not have so much to say about what he had done, for knowing the people of High Springs to be as intelligent as any in the Second Congressional District, and he having been born and raised in Florida, where he was prominent in political circles for many years, he doubtless felt that his hearers knew him well.

He called attention to the fact that the corporation papers of the entire State were against him, and would do all in their power to defeat him. He told how the Times-Union, St. Augustine Record, and other papers owned or controlled by the Standard Oil Company trust, several railroads and other corporations, were trying to send a delegation to Washington that they can use to secure legislation to suit them, and how these same influences were striving to defeat him. He reminded the people of the fact (a fact undeniable) that Mr. Flagler is a Republican in every sense of the word, and a hater of every principle of democracy. He thought it very strange that any one should fail to understand that when a millionaire trust magnate is spending fabulous sums of money to elect a Florida Democrat to the United States Senate or Congress, he is not doing it because he considers him a good Democrat, but a Democrat in name only, and one who can be used to help further the interests of the trusts.

Mr. Barrs expressed his sorrow that he had only twenty minutes to speak, and that at a time when the audience had already been talked to by other candidates for nearly three hours, but he announced his intention to visit High Springs again, under more favorable circumstances, and speak on the issues of the campaign. Barrs was already strong at High Springs, but he is stronger now than he was prior to Tuesday night.

JENNINGS AND STOCKTON.

Neither Governor Jennings or Hon. Jno. N. C. Stockton were present. The Governor wired his regrets at not being able to attend, and many of those who attended the speaking expressed regrets that Mr. Stockton could not be present.

THE CANDIDATES
IN GAINESVILLE

Sheats-Holloway Meeting Here—Others to Speak.

STOCKTON AND JENNINGS.

Barrs, Clark, Alexander, Ellis, Broome, Broward, Croom, and Others.

The candidates who spoke at High Springs Tuesday night, spoke at La Crosse Wednesday. Hon. Jno. N. C. Stockton and N. B. Broward, who were not at High Springs, joined the others at La Crosse and addressed the people, but we have not received a report of the meeting.

This evening the candidates will be here. The speaking will be in the court house, which will be warm and comfortable. The meeting will be called to order at 7:30 o'clock, as Dr. J. F. McKinsty, (who will preside), wants to give all the candidates an opportunity to talk.

The speeches of Sheats and Holloway are looked forward to with much interest, as are also those expected to be delivered by Stockton and Jennings. The latter candidates have not yet spoken in Gainesville, and the people are anxious to hear them.

LATER.—Since the above was in type, Chairman McKinsty has decided that it will be best for some of the candidates to speak this afternoon, as it will be impossible for all of them to speak tonight. The speaking may continue on into Saturday. Holloway, Sheats, Stockton, Jennings, Barrs, Alexander, Clark, Broome, Croom, Ellis, Abrams, Broward, Brown, and perhaps others, are expected to appear. Everybody is cordially invited to attend the speaking, and some of the candidates are especially anxious for the ladies to attend.

EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

Will Convene December 29th in Atlanta.

The meeting of this Association will be held in Atlanta on December 29th, and will continue until the evening of Jan. 1st. The rate from all points in Florida will be one fare plus 25 cts. for the round trip plus \$2.00 membership fee.

A large delegation of teachers is earnestly requested, as matters of importance to education and the association will be discussed and decided.

A most excellent program has been prepared, and some of the most eminent educators and statesmen on the continent have accepted invitations to speak.

For further information please address Jno. W. Wideman, State Mgr., Tallahassee, or J. C. Compton, Asst. Mgr., Leesburg.

Important Notice.

Our contract with the Argo Portrait Company, of Chicago, will end January 1st next. All customers holding tickets for \$15 in trade, and \$3.50 for a frame, will call and select frames between now and January 1st, as everything will be settled by that time, and all frames not sold will be returned to the company. This is to give all our customers ample time to get pictures and select frames, so there will be no dissatisfaction.

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A False Report.

We learn that the report of the death of Mrs. Alford, which had become current throughout the county and upon which we based our local last issue, was false, as Mrs. Alford was alive and well last week.

W. E. Yearty informs us that the report was started by the mail carrier from Ocala Creek to Gulf Hammock, who passed Mrs. Alford's house daily, and the rumor grew as it went, with no one to refute it, until the lady herself appeared in the flesh.—Levy Times-Democrat.

Thanksgiving Services.

The Methodist and Presbytery are united with the Baptist in a Thanksgiving service at the First Baptist church yesterday. Pastor Hay, of the Presbyterian church, preached an able and impressive sermon, and the choir—composed of members from each church—rendered excellent music. The Episcopalians had an interesting Thanksgiving service at their church. Rector Gray conducted the service.

Teachers' Association.

The Alachua County Teachers' Association convened in the auditorium of the Gainesville Graded and High School yesterday evening. The Association will not adjourn until sometime tomorrow, and it is expected to be one of the most interesting and beneficial yet held in this county.

Crowded Out.

Much matter of a local nature, and which we desired to publish, has been unavoidably crowded out of today's Star. We hope our readers will read what we have, and pardon our failure to have more.

Try Fagan's market for best meats.

Mr. C. W. Chase spent Monday in Ocala.

Have your clothing cleaned at Owen Lloyd's Dye Works, 714 N. W. 14th St. J. L. Medlin of Albion, spent last night in the city.

Howe's Great London Shows will exhibit in Gainesville December 2.

E. K. Anderson of High Springs was in the city Wednesday.

J. A. Dawson made a business trip to Paine's Prairie yesterday.

M. A. Densler of Jonesville, was transacting business here Wednesday.

W. T. Jackson of Wanburg Lake, was in the city Wednesday on business.

Col. Thos. E. Owen has returned from a professional visit to Jacksonville.

Jno. M. Hives, a prominent livery man of Seabreeze, is in the city today.

Mrs. O. L. York of Arredondo spent several hours in the city Wednesday.

Capt. A. W. G. Torbert, of Arredondo, was a business visitor to the city Wednesday.

Mr. J. C. Newberry was in the city Wednesday from his home at High Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. McCall were in the city Wednesday from their home at Fairbanks.

Geo. Bryles, a popular young man of Windsor, was transacting business in the city Tuesday.

Hon. Percy M. Colson has returned from a business visit to Valdosta and other points in Georgia.

Old newspapers, suitable for wrapping purposes, 15 cts. a hundred or 25 for 5 cts., at THE STAR OFFICE.

Deputy Sheriff Sydney Cheeves went to High Springs yesterday afternoon to serve some official papers.

If you want money to buy or build a home, pay off mortgage, or contract for profitable investment see Meyers.

A. E. Bryan, the popular restaurant man, has been quite sick several days but is better this morning.

If you have no girl borrow some one else's girl and go to Howe's big show which will exhibit here December 2.

Dr. and Mrs. L. Montgomery of Micah, were among the prominent people in Gainesville Tuesday.

When you want a team that is not only good for service, but handsome as well, you should apply at Thomas' stables.

Mrs. W. M. Holloway returned Wednesday from High Springs, where she visited her sister, Mrs. Osteen.

Several of the East Florida Seminary cadets spent Thanksgiving Day at their respective homes in various parts of the State.

James C. Hallie, one of Alachua's most prosperous and popular young planters, was a business visitor to Gainesville Tuesday.

Senator Jas. E. Broome, candidate for Secretary of State, has been circulating among his numerous Gainesville friends during the last day or two.

If it is job printing you want just send your order to the Star. It will have prompt attention, and work and prices will suit you.

Miss Alice Nichols has returned from her former home in Massachusetts, where she spent several months very pleasantly with relatives and friends.

The Bowie, Texas, Press says: "Howe's Great London Shows was clean and good throughout." The shows will exhibit in Gainesville December 2.

Jennings, Croom and Ellis arrived in the city last night. Stockton, Barrs, Broward, Brown, Clark, Abrams and others are expected this morning.

Giddings' Hair Grower does the work. For sale by Dr. S. B. Giddings, Gainesville, and the Postoffice Drug Store and J. A. Stephens, High Springs, Fla.

The friends of Mr. Prevatt, of East Gainesville, are pleased to know that he is rapidly recovering from his recent severe illness with typhoid fever.

Wanted—A few incubators and brooders. Address P. O. Box No. 50, Wade, Fla., stating name of manufacturer, size of machine, condition and price wanted.

Col. H. S. Chubb, the handsome and popular United States land office man, has been on a visit to his interesting family at his beautiful home at Winter Park.

Furnished rooms with privilege of cold and hot bath. Unfurnished rooms, and rooms for light housekeeping, for rent, by Mrs. L. A. Thrasher, East Main St.

Miss Mamie Finley after a pleasant visit to friends in Jacksonville has returned accompanied by her friend, Miss Gussie Knight, who will spend several days with her.

Be sure and visit our crockery department, second floor, and see our nice line of china, glass ware, and lamps. Our prices will be sure to suit you. L. C. Smith.

Dr. J. D. L. Tench, who has been receiving medical attention at Atlanta for some time, is now stopping at Turin, Ga., where he is gradually recovering his health.

The press of the country speak in the highest terms of Howe's Great London Shows, which will exhibit in Gainesville December 2. See display ad elsewhere in this paper.

Mrs. Ida B. Quest of St. Augustine, sister of Mr. Bryan, who for several days has been quite ill, arrived in the city Wednesday, and will remain during her brother's illness.

Bring us your cotton, and price our goods. If you can do better elsewhere than with us, no harm done, but give us a trial. C. W. Easterlin & Co., High Springs, Fla.

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Don't fail to go to Barlow's Minstrels, in the opera house on December 1, benefit of Gainesville Guards. Secure your reserved seats at Miller & Avera's. Prices 25c., 50c. and 75c.

Good, serviceable plated ware interests the majority of housekeepers. Even those who can afford sterling, prefer heavy plated ware for every day use. The most inviting stock is found in our jewelry department. L. C. Smith.

In the absence of Rev. W. J. Carpenter, who was engaged in the Osceola county temperance campaign, Dr. W. H. Sibley conducted the prayermeeting at the Methodist church Wednesday night.

Those "Lenox" shoes, for children, at Smith's Shoe Department, have you seen them? If not, come in, and see the finest line of children's shoes in the city. We can also furnish you with ladies' and men's shoes at prices as low as the lowest. L. C. Smith.

Jim Alexander is hustling, and he is lecturing among the school children and ladies. He requests the Star to say that whether he is elected to Congress or not, he is going to get married as soon as he can.

If you want horses, mules, wagons, buggies, carriages, harness, whips, lap robes, or anything else usually kept for sale at a first-class livery, feed and sale stable, you should call on W. R. Thomas, Gainesville, Fla.

Quite a number will go up to Gainesville Friday from Ocala to hear the joint debate between Messrs. Sheats and Holloway, Messrs. Stockton and Jennings and Messrs. Brown, Mays and Broward.—Ocala Banner of yesterday.

Giddens' Unparalleled Hair Grower is all that its name implies. It cures dandruff stops falling hair and produces new hair. It is an excellent hair dresser. For sale at S. B. Giddings' Drug Store, Gainesville, and the Postoffice Drug Store and J. A. Stephens, High Springs.

Sheriff L. W. Fennell returned from Atlanta yesterday. He reports the condition of his sister, Mrs. Granger, who had a difficult operation performed on her by Dr. Holmes, favorable. The operation was a successful one, and Mrs. Granger is on the road to recovery.

The board of county commissioners was in session a short while Tuesday; and, while the good roads machinery question is not yet considered finally settled, it is generally understood that the machinery falls so far short of what has been claimed for it, that the commissioners will not accept it.

The Durango, Colo., Democrat, in speaking of Howe's Great London Shows, which will exhibit in Gainesville December 2, said: "Howe's Show was clean and good, showed more than they advertised and pleased all who attended. Now what more can be said? They are good people, have a good show and merit all that comes their way."

Walter E. Bryan, a prominent young merchant of Alachua, who has been quite low with typhoid fever at the home of his father-in-law, this city, has recovered sufficiently to be able to drive out in town some, and his friends are pleased at the prospect of his early restoration to complete health and strength.

W. D. Graham, route agent for the Southern Express Company, with headquarters at Ocala, was in the city Wednesday checking up Agent Wooding and Cashier W. P. Coffy. Mr. Wooding is now in Cuba, and Mr. Coffy is virtually the "whole thing" here, and Route Agent Graham complimented him very highly on the excellent condition in which he found the affairs of the office.

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